

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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John BUTLER et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3775
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Application No.: 10/665,395)	Examiner: Ramana, Anuradha
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Filed: September 22, 2003)	
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For: WOUND RETRACTOR SYSTEM)	Confirmation No.: 4412

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed February 17, 2009, the period for response being extended to August 17, 2009 by the Petition for Extension of Time of three months filed herewith and the fee payment made electronically at the time of filing, and the finality having been removed by the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the above-referenced application as provided below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this reply.

Remarks follow the claim amendments section, and begin on page 9 of this reply.